REMARKS

In accordance with the present amendment, the specification has been amended to include a claim of priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Applications Nos. 60/431,549 and 60/480,138. While drafting the response to the October 11, 2006 Official Action in this application, it was noted that although a proper claim to the benefit of the aforementioned provisional patent applications is made in the Declaration of Inventorship (Form PCT/RO1101) in this case, and reference is made to the provisional patent applications in the Sequence Listing, the specification omitted a claim to the benefit of the provisional patent applications in the manner specified in 37 CFR §1.78(a)(5)(iii). The present specification amendment is presented to supply such omission.

A petition and surcharge for unintentionally delayed priority claim should not be required in this case, as the exception provided in §201.11(a) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure is believed to apply, the information concerning the benefit claim having been included on the filing receipt for this application (copy enclosed). It is also noted that the information concerning the benefit claim appears in U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0122110 A1. A copy of the cover page of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2006/0122110 A1 is also enclosed.

No new matter has been introduced into this application by reason of the amendment presented herewith, entry of which is respectfully requested.

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(54) NOGO, CASPR, F3 NB-3 USEFUL IN THE TREATMENT OF INJURY AND DISEASE TO THE CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM

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(57) ABSTRACT

The application provides materials and methods for promoting myelination of neuronal axons in the CNS. These derive from the findings firstly that the molecules Nogo and Caspr interact with one another during establishment and maintenance of the axoglial junction, and secondly that the molecules F3 and NB-3 are capable of promoting oligodendrocyte maturation via interaction with Notch. The materials and methods provided may be used in the treatment of CNS damage, in particular the treatment of spinal cord injury, multiple sclerosis, epilepsy and stroke.

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